

Caledonian

EDINBURGH,

No. 10,032.

ESTIMATES WANTED.

PERSONS willing to contract for laying or paving the South Street of the City of ST ANDREWS, will transfix their estimates and proposals to Mr Stuart Grace town-clerk, before Candlemas next, so as the undertaking may commence as soon thereafter as the weather will permit.

Not to be repeated.

CONTRACTORS.

WANTED, a CONTRACTOR to BUILD a CHURCH, at the village of Kirriemuir, in the county of Forfar, [agreable to a plan to be seen with Mr Ogilvy, minister of that parish, who will inform as to particulars.

WHALEBONE FOR SALE.

THE Whalefishing Company at Dunbar have about nine tons of WHALEBONE, of last year's fishing, to dispose of, and the Directors will treat with purchasers for the whole or part of it.

The Whalebone is of very fine quality, and from six to eleven feet in length.

TO be SOLD by public roup, to-morrow being Thursday, at twelve o'clock noon, in Mather's oyster-cellars in the Cowgate, opposite to Merlin's Wynd,

The MATERIALS of some HOUSES, lately taken down on the south side of the Cowgate.

DISTILLERY.

Haddington 23d December, 1785.

THE Farmers in East Lothian having met this day, in consequence of an advertisement inserted in the Edinburgh newspapers of 16th current; and having chosen JAMES MYLNE, Farmer at Loch Hill, their Preses, immediately took into consideration, the distressed situation they are thrown into, by a total stop being put to the sale of barley;

And were unanimously of opinion,

That the stagnation in the sale of their barley is occasioned by the Distillers in Scotland being obliged to give over business, owing to the severity of the Excise laws respecting the distillation of corn spirits, and the rigorous mode in which those laws are presently enforced in Scotland.

That the Excise Laws now in force for regulating the distillation of corn spirits, are injurious to the agriculture and true interest of Great Britain, by not only encouraging the smuggling of foreign spirits into this country, which are currently sold at more moderate prices than the Distillers of home-made spirits are able to afford, owing to the high duties, and other severe restrictions on their trade, but also in tending to establish a monopoly of the manufacture of corn spirits, by preventing men of moderate capitals from carrying on that business, and even those that do carry on, from finding their spirits to the best markets; by which means, numbers of individuals are prevented from erecting distilleries on a moderate scale, and connecting them with the operations of husbandry; thereby excluding them from the beneficial practice of feeding cattle, and from obtaining large quantities of manure for the improvement of their farms.

That it would be of the utmost advantage to the agriculture of this country, if the present oppressive Excise Laws relating to the Distillation of corn spirits were repealed; and in lieu of the exorbitant duties, and other grievous restrictions imposed on the trade, that government would raise a revenue equivalent to the largest amount that the corn-spirits have produced in any year, by a license of so much per gallon to be used in Great Britain, by which means the expence of collecting the revenue would be lessened, and a smaller sum put upon a fair and equal footing, and which, as the laws are now framed, is absolutely impossible to effect.

That in the event of an application being made to government for raising a revenue by a license on the contents of the still, the Farmers in East Lothian most earnestly intreat, That the Landed Interest will advert to the danger of confining the distillation of corn spirits to stills only of a large size; for, in that event, it is evident, as these large stills would be constantly employed, that the trade would be monopolized by a few distillers, with extensive capitals, who, residing in the neighbourhood of the coast, could, as they saw occasion, import barley from England, which would give them at all times the power of regulating the price of barley in Scotland, to the prejudice of the Landed Interest and their tenants, a grievance which ought particularly to be guarded against, and can only be remedied by allowing a number of distillers to engage in the trade, and thereby become competitors in the purchase of barley.

That it is the humble opinion of this meeting, that the minimum, or smallest size of the wash still to be licensed and used in Scotland, ought not to exceed thirty or forty English gallons, which, if working constantly, with a sufficient quantity of hay, would afford food for fattening fifteen or twenty oxen, and a number of hogs twice in the year; and, by the additional manure which these animals would produce, the farmer or distiller would be enabled to raise double the quantity of grain upon eighty or one hundred acres of land of a middling quality, than he could have done without such a distillery, and having no other manure to depend on but the produce of the land.

That it is the opinion of this meeting, that the practice of distilling spirits in part from barley, without its being malted, lately introduced into this country, may in time prove of great advantage to the agriculture of Scotland, as the frosts in autumn, and precarious harvests, owing to the northern situation of the country, and height of its cultivated lands above the level of the sea, even in ordinary years, prevent the barley of the growth of Scotland from being made into malt of the best quality, and, in adverse years, render it totally unfit for that purpose.

That it is the opinion of this meeting, that the tenants on the different noblemen and gentlemen's estates in East Lothian, ought jointly to apply to their respective landlords, praying that they would use their influence with his Grace the Duke of Roxburgh, the Right Hon. the Earl of Hopetoun, New Dalrymple, Esq; junior, of North Berwick, and Francis Charters, Esq; junior, of Amesfield; these noblemen and gentlemen being presently in Parliament, and connected with this country, for obtaining their aid and assistance in getting such a law enacted as will relieve the farmers from their present distress, and prevent the like for the future; and the meeting most humbly submit these their opinions to the consideration of the Landed Interest in general, by ordering them to be inserted in the Edinburgh newspapers; and appoint James Brown, Robert Ainsley, James Ronaldson, William Mackie, with their Preses, to form a Committee, three to be a quorum; and authorise one or more of the number, to meet in Edinburgh, with the delegates from the Farmers in the different counties or parishes in Scotland, at the Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on the second Wednesday of January next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the better obtaining the support of the proprietors of land, by their interposing with Government in the behalf of their tenants.

(Signed) JAMES MYLNE, Preses.

SALE OF LANDS NEAR GLASGOW.

TO be SOLD by public auction, at the Tontine Inn, Glasgow, on Wednesday the 25th day of January 1786, betwixt the hours of twelve and two o'clock, the Farm of EASTER MAILLING of Easter Queenly, consisting of upwards of 75 acres, all arable, with a steading of farm-houses, and ten dwelling-houses and yard in the village of Queenly, lying on the banks of the Monkland Canal, and about three miles distant from Glasgow.

The Lands are pleasantly situated, command an extensive prospect of a fine country, and may, at a small expence, be completely sheltered with trees. Their vicinity to the city of Glasgow renders them a fit subject for improvement and for building on.

The conditions of sale, progress of rents, rental, and plan of the lands, will be shown on applying to Robert Playfair writer, Liberton's Wynd, Edinburgh. Mr Benjamin Barton, Commissary Clerk of Glasgow, will inform as to the rental and other particulars; and the tenant will show the grounds.



Mercury

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28. 1785.

BRITISH STATE LOTTERY, 1785.

Begins drawing the 6th of February 1786.

THE TICKETS are sold and divided into Halves, Quarters, Eighths, and Sixteenths, by

JAMES THOMSON AND SON,

INSURANCE BROKERS,

At their Licensed State Lottery Office, opposite the Crofs, Edinburgh, and no where else in Scotland on their account.

Correct numerical and register books are kept, and the tickets and shares are registered at 6d. each number.

No. of Prizes.	Value of each.	Total Value.
2	L. 20,000	L. 40,000
3	10,000	30,000
5	5,000	25,000
10	2,000	20,000
15	1,000	15,000
30	500	15,000
100	100	10,000
250	50	12,500
16,275	20	325,500
16,690		L. 493,000

First drawn ticket, L. 1,000
Ditto the 4th day, L. 1,000
Ditto the 7th day, L. 1,000
Ditto the 10th day, L. 1,000
Ditto the 13th day, L. 1,000
Ditto the 16th day, L. 1,000
The last drawn ticket, L. 1,000
Blanks, L. 1,000

50,000 Tickets, L. 500,000

The present Price of Shares.

Half, L. 7 15 0 | Eighth, L. 2 0 0

Fourth, 3 19 0 | Sixteenth, 1 0 0

Not Two Blanks to a Prize.

All shares sold at this office will be stamped, and the original tickets lodged in the Stamp Office, agreeable to act of Parliament.

Money for the prizes will be paid at this office as soon as drawn.—

Letters post paid duly answered, and schemes gratis.

The prices of tickets and shares at this office will always be regulated by the London prices.

The whole of the purchase Money returned, if drawn only a Prize of 20 l.

ALL the PRIZES, namely, the first drawn Ticket on the 1st, 4th, 7th, 10th, 13th, or the 16th day, or the last drawn Ticket on the last day, are entitled to 1000 l. each, according to the scheme of the present ENGLISH STATE LOTTERY, which will begin drawing on the 6th of February 1786, are included in the following plan, whether a 20 l. or a 20,000 l. and continue for the whole time of the drawing, and will be paid on demand, without any discount or deduction.

FRIENDLY BENEFICIAL SOCIETY,

Held at No. 26. Cornhill,

BY HORNSBY AND COMPANY

Who Repeating—The encouragement we have met with from a generous Public on every occasion, emboldens them to hope, that the present plan will meet with universal approbation, as it affords the greatest advantages that can possibly be given.

For ONE GUINEA only.

If a L. 20,000 to L. 1600	If a L. 20,000 to L. 800	For HALF-A-GUINEA.
10,000 to 800	10,000 to 400	5000 to 200
5000 to 400	5000 to 200	2000 to 80
2000 to 160	2000 to 160	1000 to 40
1000 to 80	1000 to 80	500 to 20
500 to 40	500 to 40	100 to 5
100 to 10	100 to 10	50 to 2 10 s.
50 to 5	50 to 5	20 to Half-a-Guinea.
20 to 1 Guinea	Being the whole of the purchase Money.	Being the whole of the purchase Money.

For SIX SHILLINGS (only) half the benefits will be paid as soon as drawn, agreeable to the Half-Guinea plan, and if only a 20 l. Prize, the Six Shillings returned.

Capital Prizes sold by HORNSBY and COMPANY, viz. two of 20,000 l. four of 10,000 l. six of 5000 l. eight of 2000 l. fifteen of 1000 l. forty of 500 l. besides the 10,000 l. in Cox's Museum Lottery, which prizes have been paid in full immediately.

N. B. Letters post paid duly answered.

Subscribers to this Society may have an account of their numbers sent to any part of the town or country, free of expence.

HORNSBY and COMPANY request their numerous Subscribers to the last Irish State Lottery, to return their certificates, and that a new one for the ensuing English State Lottery will be given gratis.

By Order of the Honourable

Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs.

THERE is to be exposed to public sale at the Customhouse of Port Glasgow, upon Thursday 5th January 1786, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon,

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION,

The following Goods lately condemned in the Court of Exchequer; quantities at appraisement as under mentioned:

1106 gallons rum; 20504 gallons brandy; 18464 gallons Geneva; 15694 yards East India nankeen; nine yards black crape; ten chests, containing 896 lbs. black tea; and the hull of the cutter Graafse Belofte, burden about 150 tons, with the float-boat, tackle, and furniture.

Only it is to be observed, that if the said vessel become the property, in whole or in part, of any of his Majesty's subjects, she cannot be employed in trade in this kingdom, except in the cases excepted and provided for in the act 24th Geo. III. cap. 47.

The goods and conditions of sale to be seen at the said customhouse on the day of sale, and on the day immediately preceding, at customhouse hours.

COACH HORSES.

TO be SOLD by public auction, at Mr Ramsay's stables, Cowgate Port, on Thursday next the 29th instant, at one o'clock afternoon, if not previously disposed of by private contract,

Three Capital season'd Black nag-tailed COACH GELDINGS.—

They have been properly physicked and cleaned; are full of good meat, and in high condition; and are warranted sound and steady, to drive either in town or country.

They will be put up in separate lots, and may be viewed till the time of sale, at Mr Ramsay's stables.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of GAVIN KEMPT, Merchant in Leith.

WHEREAS upon the application of creditors to the extent required by the statute, the Lord Henderland officiating as Ordinary on the bills, did sequestrate the whole real and personal estate of the said Gavin Kempt; and appointed his creditors to meet in the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 11th January next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of chusing an interim factor on the sequestrated estate. Of which sequestration and appointment, this notice is given to all concerned.

THIS DAY IS PUBLISHED AND SOLD BY J. ROBERTSON, At his Printing-Office, Fish-market Clofe, and by all the Booksellers, Price 1s. 10 d. bound in red leather, and 1s. 4 d. stitched,

THE

UNIVERSAL SCOTS ALMANACK,

For the Year 1786.

WITH NEW LISTS, AND AN IMPROVED KALENDAR.

The CALCULATIONS, it is hoped, will be found accurate.—The LIST, which are copious, and corrected to the latest date possible, contain, the Members of both Houses of Parliament; the ARMY and NAVY; the Scots, English, and Irish Peers; Baronets; Officers of State, Courts of Law, Revenue Boards, Public Offices, Universities, Principal Societies, and PATRONS; the Roads through Scotland, with the distances of the different Towns; the Fairs, Fairs, &c. &c. Also, Abstracts of the late TAXES, including those on Male and Female Servants, Shops, Huts Windows, &c. &c. &c.

With this Almanack is given;

A MAP

OF THE CITY, CASTLE, AND SUBURBS OF EDINBURGH, Including all the New Buildings and Streets; With a SECTION of the NEW SOUTH BRIDGE, at present building over the Cowgate.

SALE OF BOOKS.

To be Sold by Auction, at Mr HAY's Vendue, on the south side of the High Street, Edinburgh.

A VALUABLE COLLECTION of BOOKS, being the Library of a Gentleman lately deceased.

lition from his Majesty, which the Presbytery unanimously sustained, and appointed three of their number to prosecute the translatiōn before the Presbytery of Dalkeith.

On the 23d instant, the presbytery of Lochmaben ordained Mr William Sibbald minister of the parish of Johnstone, after an excellent sermon by the Rev. Mr David Dickson of St Mungo.

In the hard gale of wind on Saturday night last, many ships must have suffered. We have already received accounts of the following: Two English vessels were put ashore in St Andrew's bay; two at Holy Island, one of them an English vessel, from Malaga, said to be foundered; a collier was likewise lost on this side Newcastle.

The vessel found at sea, and sent into Dunbar by Captain Wilson of the Racehorse, proves to be the Polly of Hull, which had been sent out to the Baltic to take in the cargo and stores of the Empress, which had been wrecked near Revel. The cargo consists of tallow, iron, and deals. The crew had taken to their boat, and were picked up by another ship, and got safe to Hull.

On Saturday night, at twelve o'clock, a fire broke out in the bake-house of Mr Greig, in St David's Lane, near St Andrew's Square, which entirely consumed about 70 bags of flour, and damaged the building considerably. By the activity of the Magistrates, the fire was prevented from spreading to the adjoining houses.

Thursday night last, as Mr John Baird, farmer at Parkhouse, was going home, through the darkness of the night he missed his way, and fell into the Clyde.—His body was found next day.

A few days ago, a servant girl, going across the water of Fiddich, on an old bridge, fell in and was drowned.

By order of the General Meeting of Managers of the Charity Work-house of Canongate, an EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION will be made at the Church-door of Canongate, on Sabbath first, being the 1st day of January 1786.

As many of the most opulent inhabitants have not an opportunity of contributing at the church-door, it is requested they will be pleased to send their collection to Bailie George Rae Leith Wynd, Treasurer to the said Poor House, who will grant receipts, if required. A Box is also placed in the Charity House, to receive the mite of them who do not desire any receipt.

Extract of a letter from Nairn, Dec. 23.

"Yesterday, came on the election of a member to serve in Parliament for this county, in room of the late Captain Alexander Campbell. The candidates were, Captain George Campbell of the navy, brother to Mr Campbell of Calder, and Alexander Brodie, Esq; brother to Mr Brodie of Brodie. By the absence of Calder and his brother, who are now abroad—the defection of some friends who held confidential votes of the family—and the breach of engagements of others who had early declared their attachment, Mr Brodie started with a majority of 8 to 7; and the party availing themselves thereof, not only continued on the roll two freeholders whose qualifications were clearly annihilated, but also admitted a gentleman for lands situated in a different county, whereby they elected Mr Alexander Brodie by a nominal majority of 9 to 7.—But the merits of this election are to be made the subject of a petition to the House of Commons, and of complaints to the Court of Session."

Extract of a letter from Forres.

"On the evening of Thursday last, the 22d current, upon the agreeable account arriving at this place of the election for the county of Nairn being decided in favours of Alexander Brodie, Esq; late of Madras, an universal joy diffused itself among the inhabitants. The bells were let a-ring; bonfires were raised in the streets and on the tops of the neighbouring mountains. The Magistrates and principal inhabitants, who could not do themselves the honour of attending their most respectable countryman at his election, went to the cross, and drank his health and prosperity, at the market-place, under repeated volleys from a party of the military. Illuminations ensued, and many emblematical figures were exhibited in honour of the worthy member."

SOUND SHIPPING.

PASSED,

No. 6. James and David of Dundee, Mudie, from Riga, for Leith.
7. Margaret of Inverkeithing, Barr, from Memel, for Inverkeithing, with barley.

John of and ditto, Johnson, for Dublin, with timber.
Vella Nova of Alloa, Simpson, from ditto, for Grangemouth, ditto.
Sebastian of Grangemouth, Bell, from Riga, for Leith.
James of Inverkeithing, Wilson, from Memel, for Inverkeithing.
8. Hero of Alloa, Mercer, from ditto, for Alloa, with ditto.
Industry of Ely, Archibald, from Riga, for Leith, foundries.

9. Diligence of Borrowstounness, Comb, from ditto, for Leith, ditto.
10. Greenock of Greenock, Tarbett, from St Peterburgh, for Greenock, with hemp and iron.

P.S. There are no more Scotch vessels remaining in the Baltic, except
Elephant of Greenock, Crawford, who is hourly expected from Memel.

ELGIN, December 10. Wind E. N. E. WALTER WOOD,
ARRIVED AT LEITH, Dec. 28. Two Brothers, Williamson, from
Monrovia, with grain.

INSURANCE OFFICE AT DUNDEE,

For Insuring against Loss or Damage by Fire.

This Company commenced at Whitunday 1783. The number and stability of the partners in this office, who are all bound conjunctly and severally, afford as ample security to the public as any office in Great Britain; and they hope, that the honourable and liberal manner in which they have hitherto conducted themselves, will insure to them a large share of Public favour they have already experienced, which will not longer than they continue the same liberal treatment in all their transactions.

Orders are received and policies issued by DAVID BLAIR, at the Company's Office in Dundee; and for the convenience of those who live at a distance, agents are appointed in most of the towns in Scotland for receiving orders for policies, and payment of the yearly premiums. The agents are part of the agents, viz.

John Paterson, at his office Miln's Square, opposite the Tron-Church, Edinburgh.

Robert Geddie merchant, Cupar in Fife.
Robert Moncrieff, at the Royal Bank office, Glasgow.

James Bogle merchant in Greenock.
James Cowan, at the Bank, Paisley.

David Scott, at the Bank, Ayr.
Michael Connell merchant in Stirling.

William Auchie merchant in Falkirk.
John Dickie merchant in Dunfermline.

John Cull, at the Bank office, Kelso.
Christopher Middlemass merchant in Dunbar.

William and Robert Grieve merchants in Eyemouth.—And
Thomas Turnbull merchant in Hawick.

With all whom the proposals of the Company are lodged,
and lists of the numerous partners.

Those already insured changing to this office get a new policy and gratis.

On Subjects not hazardous, this Office insures to the amount of
one subject, at Two Shillings per cent. premium, being one fifth
charged by the other Offices, when the sum insured exceeds £ 1000.

ROYAL INFIRMARY.

A GENERAL MEETING of the CONTRIBUTORS to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh is to be held, as usual, within the Laigh Council house there, upon Monday the 2d of January 1786, at one o'clock afternoon, for the purposes mentioned in the charter of erection, of which all concerned will be pleased to take notice.

RO. BOSWELL, Clerk to the Incorporation.

A LEASE OF MUSSELBURGH MILLS.

TO be disposed of by public roup, within John's Coffeeshouse, on Friday the 6th day of January, next, at twelve o'clock noon,

The remainder of the LEASE, current to the 26th of May 1786, of the three Mills of Musselburgh, viz. The SHERIFFE MILL, the WEST MILL, and the SEA MILL, with the Maltures, Knavehip, &c. belonging to the said Mills.—As also, The Eight-ninth parts of the Maltures of BRUNSTOWN MILL. The purchaser's entry to be immediately after the roup.

The lease and conditions of roup, are in the hands of John Peat, writer in Edinburgh.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of Mr SHARP of Hoddom.

MR KEITH, the Trustee for said Creditors, having authorized a dividend of the funds in hand, payable at the 2d day of January next, the creditors are requested to call for payment at Joseph Norris writer, North Hanover-street, Edinburgh.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THAT upon the application of CUTHBERT KELBURN, merchant in Crawfurdbyke, with the concurrence of certain of his Creditors, the Right Hon. Lord Henderland, Ordinary officiating on the Bills, upon the 27th day of December current, was pleased to sequester the whole real and personal estate of the said Cuthbert Kelburn, wherever situated, and to appoint his creditors to meet within the house of Mrs Hopkins, vintner in Greenock, upon Monday the 2d day of January next, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to choose an interim-factor upon the said sequestre estate; all in terms of the statute passed in the 23d year of the reign of his present Majesty.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of WILLIAM RHIND, late Coppersmith in Investments, are hereby requested to meet in the house of Thomas Comb vintner, Craig's Clof, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 16th of January next, at six o'clock in the evening, to receive their share of the funds recovered, and to give what further direction to the trustee shall be thought necessary.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE Trustees for the Creditors of WILLIAM and JOHN DUNLOP, late merchants in Greenock, hereby intimate, That a state of the bankrupts effects that have been converted into money, and a state of the debts which have been proved and lodged with them, in terms of the late bankrupt law, are made out by the trustees, with a scheme of division of the free produce of the money so recovered, among the several creditors in these debts, which states and scheme, together with a general state of the bankrupts affairs, brought down to the 28th of October last, shall lie open for the inspection of the creditors or their agents, in the hands of Archibald Campbell, merchant in Greenock, one of the trustees, until the 28th day of January next, on which day, at 12 o'clock noon, a general meeting of the creditors is hereby required, within the house of John M'Kechnie, vintner in Greenock, to give such orders as may appear necessary for the future management, and to receive their first dividends.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of the deceased ALEXANDER GIBSON of Durie, Esq.

THE trustees of the said Alexander Gibson having sold his estate, will be ready to pay all the debts due by him, against Whitsunday next. They do therefore give this public notification to the creditors to receive payment of their debts, principal and interest, at that term; and require them, on or before the 1st of March next, to lodge their grounds of debt, with oaths upon the verity thereof, emitted before any Magistrate or Justice of the Peace, specifying the interest due thereupon, in the hands of Cornelius Elliot writer to the signet, or Hugh Bremner, at the proper arrangement and account of their payment.

NOTICE

IN the Proceeds of RANKING and SALE, at the instance of George Home, Esq; of Branxton, factor and manager for Douglas, Heron, and Company, late bankers in Ayr, with concourse of his Majesty's Advocate, AGAINST David Cochran, merchant in Virginia, heir of the deceased Henry Cochran of Barbacklaw, and all and sundry his creditors, the Lord Swinton, Ordinary thereto, by interlocutor of date 21st December 1785, nominated and appointed Lord Rockville, of course, to rank the whole creditors of the bankrupt; and assigned the 18th of January 1786 for the said whole creditors to produce all their claims, rights, and diligences, competent to them respectively, against the bankrupt or his estate, and that for the FIRST TERM; with certification as in a reduction and improbation. And appointed this notice thereof, so as the same may come to the knowledge of all concerned.

H. S. CALLENDER, Clerk.

INTIMATION

To the CREDITORS of JOHN NISBET Merchant in Glasgow.

THAT, in consequence of an interlocutor of the Court of Session, sealing the real and personal estate of the said John Nisbet, and appointing his Creditors to meet and chuse an Interim Factor on the 21st current; at the said meeting, David Fleming, merchant in Glasgow, was chosen Interim Factor; and the Creditors appointed a general meeting for the purpose of chusing a Trustee or Trustees, to be held on Tuesday the 31st of January 1786, at one o'clock afternoon, in the house of Peter Mackinlay vintner in Glasgow.

And on the application of the factor, the Sheriff substitute of Lanarkshire has appointed Monday next, the 2d day of January 1786, and Monday in each of the three succeeding weeks, at twelve o'clock noon, for the public examination of the bankrupt, his family, and others acquainted with his business, in the house of the said Peter Mackinlay. Of which meeting and appointment, this public notice is given by the factor, in terms of the statute.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of ROBERT PATERSON, junior, late tenant in Fairneyfide, in the parish of Aytoun, and shire of Berwick.

THE Creditors of the said Robert Paterson are desired to meet in the house of John Gray innkeeper in Eyemouth, on Friday the 6th day of January next, in order to draw a fourth dividend of four shillings of the pound of the said Robert Paterson's funds as is now converted into money, by John Gibson messenger in Eyemouth, the Trustee for the creditors.

HOUSES and GROUND on LEITH WALK.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeeshouse, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 26th day of January 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon.

Those TENEMENTS of LAND fronting the Walk of Leith, and lying a little to the west of the avenue leading to Pilrig. The Tenement upon the north consists of two separate lodgings of six rooms each, besides kitchen, cellars, and other conveniences, as presently possessed by Mr Legrand and Captain Miller. The adjoining tenement consists of three separate lodgings; two of three rooms, dressing closet, kitchen, and cellar; and the other of four rooms, dressing closet, servants rooms, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniences, as possessed by Miss Riddell, Mr Walker, and Mr King. The subjects were built within these few years, are all neatly finished, and the situation remarkably pleasant. Each lodging has a plot of garden ground, and is well supplied with good soft water.

Also a PIECE of GROUND adjoining to said Tenements, consisting of 120 feet in front, and 138 feet backwards, very proper for building upon. There is likewise a well of soft water on this piece of ground.

The progress of wrights, which is perfectly clear, and articles of roup, to be seen in the hands of Stuart Moodie writer in Edinburgh, to whom, or John King the proprietor, any person inclining for a private bargain may apply.

LIMEWORKS AT GILMERTON.

THE Undertakers are under the necessity of informing their customers and the Public in general, that the price of the boll of their Lime at Edinburgh, is to be one merk Scots for the ensuing year, as the price of working the Lime-stone is greatly raised.

DISTILLERY.

Colinton, December 27. 1785.

THE Farmers of this parish being met, to take into consideration their present distress, in not having a market for barley; after chusing Mr ROBERT WIGHT, Preses, the meeting came to the following Resolves:

That their distress has been solely owing to the suppreſſing of the middle class of Distillers; for no sooner was the mode adopted, of executing the Käfe-laws, put in practice about twelve months ago, upon that description of traders, than barley fell almost a third of its price; and to such a height has the evil operated, that merchants cannot now be got for it.

That the high rents now paid for land would never have been thought of, far less such large sums laid out in cultivating the ground, had there not been a prospect of the same advantages continuing which had induced them to engage.

That no line of adventurers are of more importance to the state, or entitled to better security for the success of their undertaking.

That the unfa vorableness of this climate often renders their barley unfit for any other merchant but a distiller; and, from its inferior quality at all times, is despised by every trader who can procure grain from England; though the difference of price should be five or six shillings per boll.

That unless the distillery law is put upon such a footing, as the middle class of Distillers can carry on business, the ruin of the Farmers in this county is inevitable, as it is only those interpersed over the country that can be of general use for consuming the produce of the lands.

That what makes it additionally galling is, that at no time has there been so great an inundation of foreign spirits into this part of the country as at present, when our own grain lies unmanufactured.

That our southern neighbours show an anxious desire to suppress or elongate every branch of manufacture in this part of the island that vies with theirs. How easily a little influence can accomplish this end, is grievously experienced in the present calamity; and, from what is felt, the farmer is the next to the manufacturer who must fall a sacrifice.

That, were the legislature properly informed, such partiality would never be countenanced, nor to extenſive a part of the community run the risk of being involved in the utmost distress for the emolument of a few.

That they approve of the Farmers uniting, that, when aggrieved, they may apply in a body for redress; and flatter themselves, that other parishes will see the propriety of the measure.

That they appoint Robert Wight, Thomas Scott, Adam Innes, and John Finnie, or any one of them, delegates from this parish, to meet with the delegates of Kirkcudbright, and such other parishes as shall approve of this method in order to concert measures for obtaining relief, at the Exchange Coffeeshouse in Edinburgh, upon the second Wednesday of January next, at twelve o'clock noon. And they further agree to contribute their proportion of any expence that may be necessary for bringing about a redress of grievances, by the same proportion as they are affected for the statute labour. And they appoint these their Resolves to be published in the Edinburgh Evening Courant, the Caledonian Mercury, and Edinburgh Advertiser.

ROBT WIGHT, Preses.

UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

JUDICIAL SALE.

TO be SOLD, under the authority of the Court of Session, upon Friday the 27th day of January 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon, within the Parliament or New Session House of Edinburgh,

The Lands and Estate of BALMAGHIE, lying in the parish of Balmaghie, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, with the teinds and right of patronage of the parish-kirk of Balmaghie.

The free rent of this estate, after all deductions, was proved to be

L. 254 12 7 10-12ths

And the proven value thereof is twenty-four years purchase of that rent, or L. 19,911 3 4

And the value of the patronage is proved to be

55 11 1 4-12ths

But as one of the farms has fallen in its rent since the proof was taken, the premises are now to be exposed at the reduced upset price of

L. 9,700 0 0

The lands hold of the Crown, and the estate is very extensive, and capable of great improvement; there is a good mansion-house on it, with suitable offices.

The articles of roup, and progress of wrights, with a rental of the estate, will be seen in the office of Thomas Bruce, depute-clerk of Session; and persons intending to purchase may apply to him, or to James Walker writer to the signet, or to James Macclacharty at Camp-Douglas, the factor upon the estate, for further information.

JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS,

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 4th January next, between the hours of five and six afternoon.

That Large TENEMENT in Merchant-street, built by Patrick Taylor, Smith in Edinburgh, consisting of five flats, a sunk storey, water-pipe, and other conveniences. To be set up in four lots, *viz.* The first flat and sunk storey in one lot; the two next flats in two separate lots; and the fourth and fifth flat in one lot.

The whole tenement has been for some time in the possession of good tenants, and stands insured in the Friendly Insurance Office against fire.

For further particulars apply to George Watson, at Mr Thomas Macdonald's clerk to the signet, or to John Horn, wright, Calton-Hill.

JUDICIAL SALE OF LANDS IN AYR-SHIRE, BY ADJOURNMENT.

To be exposed to public roup, under authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament House, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 1st of February next, at five o'clock afternoon.

The following LOTS remaining unfold, of the Lands and Estate of PINMORE, lying in the parishes of Colmonnel, Barr, and Girvan, respectively, and county of Ayr.

Lot II.—Containing the Farms of Balbeg and Lamduchty, Laggan-gill, and Heads of M'Lurgton; the free rent whereof, after all deductions, is proven to be 72 l. 9 s. 11 d. 8-raths; to be exposed at the reduced upset-price of 1450 l. These lands contain about 550 acres, lying very convenient for improvement by lime from Balbeg. Lamduchty is retoured to a 40 s. land, and Balbeg to a two-merk land of old extent.

Lot III.—Containing the Lands of Pinclunty, and Mill thereof, and Merk Land, *alias* M'Lurgton; the free rent whereof, after all deductions, is 45 l. 18 s. 4 d.; to be exposed at the reduced upset-price of 900 l. These lands contain near 300 acres; the farm of Pinclunty is very low let; M'Lurgton is retoured to a two-merk, and Pinclunty to a one-merk land.

Lot V.—Crongart and Knockglais; the free proven rent whereof, after all deductions, is 34 l. 10 s. 6 d.; to be exposed at the reduced upset-price of 700 l.

The whole of the above lands hold blench of the Prince, excepting Balbeg, which holds feu of the Crown.

The tiends of the whole lands are valued, but the tiends of those lands only which lie in Colmonnel parish are saleable.

The title-deeds, rental, and articles of roup, may be seen in the hands of Mr George Kirkpatrick, depute-clerk of Session; for further information apply to Archibald Tod writer to the signet, agent in the sale.

UPSET PRICE REDUCED.

To be SOLD by public roup or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Thursday the 2d day of February 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon.

LOT I.

The Lands and Barony of DUCHRAE, lying in the parish of Balmaghie, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, consisting of 2430 acres or thereby, and paying 410 l. Sterling of yearly rent, to be exposed at the reduced price of 9020 l. Sterling, either in *cumulo*, or in the following parcels, *viz.*

PARCEL 1. The Mains of DUCHRAE, and Lands of ULLIOCH, MEIKLE and LITTLE CRAIGS, as presently possessed by Samuel and David M'Lellans, at the yearly rent of 135 l. 2 s. Sterling, at the upset price of 2970 l.

PARCEL 2. DRUMGLASS, TORNCROCK, and MEIKLE and LITTLE DUCHRAE, as presently possessed by James M'Conochie, at the yearly rent of 145 l. 10 s. Sterling, at 3280 l.

PARCEL 3. UROCH, CLONIE, and Mill of DUCHRAE, as presently possessed by Andrew M'Min, at the yearly rent of 108 l. 19 s. Sterling, at 2400 l.

And, lastly, DUMBRECK, as presently possessed by William M'Kenzie, at the yearly rent of 20 l. 9 s. 10 d. Sterling, at 480 l. Sterling.

The Barony of Duchrae holds of the Crown, and stands rated in the Cess-books at 912 l. 6 s. 8 d. Scots.

It lies on the river Dee, by which, and a canal from the Loch of Carningwark, mark of the best quality for improving the grounds is easily

There is a wood on parcel 2d of this estate, which, at last cutting, 1768, sold for 400 l. Sterling; there is also another wood presently fit for cutting, worth about 100 l. Sterling.

The tenants pay all public and private burdens over and above their rents. The tythes are also valued, and the purchaser will have a right to them.

LOT II. A HOUSE and GARDEN in the town of Wigton, as presently possessed by Mrs Isobel Stewart.

LOT III. A HOUSE in the town of Whithorn, as presently possessed by Mr Muir.

The title-deeds, rentals, current leafes, plans of the estate, and conditions of sale, to be seen in the hands of John Hunter, writer to the signet, to whom, or to Alexander Farquharson, accomptant in Edinburgh, (who has power to conclude a private bargain) persons inclining to purchase may apply; and Mr Samuel M'Caul at Corbie, near Newtonstewart, will show the lands.

The following CASE is well worth the Attention of the Public. To Mr HAYMAN, Great Marlborough-street, LONDON.

SIR,

BEING relieved, by the use of your MAREDANT'S DROPS, of one of the most afflicting complaints that human nature can endure, I unsolicited send you my case (by favour of Messrs Husband, Elder, and Co. of Edinburgh, who were privy to my course of your medicine), for publication.

My disorder was of the FISTULA kind, very near the ANUS, which originally feized me (from what cause I know not) with a violent swelling, preventing the natural evacuation of urine, and subjecting me to the most agonizing pain. It came to a head, and suppurred seven different times, issuing such quantities of matter as to reduce me extremely low. In this feeble state I had recourse to your drops; when I had taken two bottles only, I perceived myself to recover strength, my fistulae left me, and appetite increased; by a further perseverance, I soon became able to return to my daily employ, and in the course of seventeen bottles every symptom of the disorder vanished. I left off taking the drops about two years; but must confess to you I was lately alarmed at some signs of a return, which made me again have recourse to your drops, and by the time I had taken half a bottle my fears subsided; and I am therefore happy to acknowledge the perfections of my cure.

COLINTON, Four miles West of Edin. I am, SIR, Your obedient humble servant, November 1785. GEORGE MUIRHEAD.

N. B. The Commissioners of Stamps having caused the words "J. Hayman, Marlborough-street," to be engraved in the Government label, denominating the duty on each genuine bottle of these drops, it may deemed a security against a spurious sort. A caution, however, is still necessary against those designing men, who obtrude composition on the unvary in the name of the late proprietor, Surgeon Norton; whereas the medicines prepared in his lifetime were recalled shortly after his decease, which happened in May 1783; from which time the venders thereof throughout the kingdom became agents to Mr Hayman, who had the confidential trust and management of this business, both as to the preparation of the medicine and giving advice to the patients, ever since the year 1774.

These drops, which eradicate all scorbustic eruptions, from the most trifling appearance on the skin to those virulent ulcers which endanger the limbs, are sold at 5s. 5d. per bottle, duty included, at Mr Hayman's; and at Messrs HUSBAND, ELDER, and COMPANY's, Edinburgh.

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SALE of HOUSES in CUPAR FIFE.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the House of Bartholomew Cockburn, vintner in Cupar, upon Tuesday the 24th January 1786, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

That HOUSE and TAVERN presently possessed by George Barry vintner, lying at the head of the Bridge of Cupar, and consisting of three stories, with garrets.—The first or ground storey, contains two parlours, kitchen, and cellar.—The second a large dining-room, and two bed-rooms; and the third four handsome bed-rooms. The House was rebuilt within these few years, is in good order, and well situated for a tavern.

Also to be SOLD along with the above Tavern, That HOUSE adjoining it, with the stables and hay-lofts, as presently possessed by Andrew Duncan; and from which there is a back entry to the water of Eden.

For further particulars, apply to Robert Stark writer in Cupar; Henry Walker writer there, in whose hands the progres of wits may be seen; or to George Tod writer in Edinburgh.

HOUSES IN CANONGATE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on the 6th day of January 1786, betwixt the hours of six and seven o'clock afternoon,

That Large New TENEMENT of HOUSES, lying on the north side of the Canongate, nearly opposite to Queenberry-house, consisting of four storeys. The first and second, as presently possessed by Mrs Ruffell, consist of a dining-room, drawing-room, two bed-rooms, a kitchen, closets, and other conveniences, with a back court, cellars, coal-house, and hen-house.

The third and fourth stories, as presently possessed by Miss Ramsay, consist of a dining-room, drawing-room, three bed-rooms, kitchen, closets, pantries, &c. with a cellar, coal-house, and two garret rooms.

This house was built not many years ago, is of substantial workmanship, and in thorough repair, and will be sold on moderate terms. It will be set up altogether in one lot; and if no purchaser appears to offer for the whole, it will be exposed in two lots, in the manner it is now set.

The articles of roup and title-deeds may be seen in the hands of Alexander Young writer in Edinburgh, who will furnish any other information that may be wanted.

The house may be seen every Monday and Saturday, before the day of sale, from twelve to two o'clock afternoon.

SALE OF LANDS AND FEU-DUTIES,

In the Counties of Edinburgh and Roxburgh.

TO BE SOLD,

THE LANDS and BARONY of NEWTON, lying in the parish of Bedrule.

This estate is pleasantly situated upon the banks of the river Teviot within a few miles of Jedburgh, Kelso, and Hawick, all good market towns. The great road from Berwick to Carlisle runs through it. The soil is remarkably good and very improvable; and there is lime-stone in the grounds, and plenty of marl in the neighbourhood.

This estate contains about 740 acres, Scotch measure; holds blench of the Crown; stands valued in the cens-books of the county at 853 l. 6s. and there is upon it a great number of fine old trees of considerable value, some natural wood, delightful situations for a mansion-house, and good quarries at a very little distance.

The Lands of MUIRHOUSE-LAW, lying in the parish of Maxtown.

These lands, which contain upwards of 660 Scotch acres, hold feu of the Crown, and are valued in the cens-books of the county at 733 l. 6s. 8d.; are situated upon the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Jedburgh, which runs along the west side of them; and are within a few miles of Jedburgh, Kelso, Hawick, and Melrose. They are very improvable, and in the neighbourhood of plenty of marl.

The Lands of HOISLAW-HILL, FALSIDE, and PLACE-GARDEN, lying in the parish of Linton.

This estate lies within a few miles of Kelso, upon the west side of the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Kelso; contains 800 acres, Scotch measure or thereby; holds blench of the Marquis of Lothian; and is valued in the cens-books of the county at 586 l. 13 s. 4 d. The soil is good and very improvable, and there is plenty of coal and lime in the neighbourhood.

The Lands of TINTERN CHAPEL and EDLESBLEUGH, lying in the parish of Hownow.

These lands contain 970 Scotch acres or thereby, all excellent sheep ground; hold blench of the Crown, and stand valued in the cens-books of the county at 1144 l. 12 s.

The Lands of LONGLEE and GILLIESTONGUES, lying within the parish of Jedburgh.

This farm holds feu of the family of Douglas, consists of about 400 acres Scotch measure; is situated upon the water of Jed, within two miles of Jedburgh; the great road from Edinburgh to Newcastle by Jedburgh runs through it; the soil is very good both for tillage and pasture; and there is upon it some fine old trees, and thriving natural wood of considerable value.

The Lands of LAVOROCKHALL or LARKHALL, lying in the immediate vicinage of Jedburgh; with sundry acres to a considerable extent in the fields of Jedburgh, all holding of the Marquis of Lothian.

N. B. The whole of the above lands lie in the county of Roxburgh.

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The SUPERIORITY of certain parts of the Lands of Pittendreich or Pendreich, lying in the parish of Lasswade and county of Edinburgh, with the Feuds payable furth thereof, amounting to 60 l. 1s. 8d. Sterling in money, 46 bolls of wheat, and 46 bolls of barley.

The progres of wits, plans, and measurements of the grounds, with the rentals, and current leafes, are to be seen in the hands of Patrick Kerr writer to the signet, to whom application may be made for further information. The present tenants and baron officers will show the grounds.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE,

SHOPS AND HOUSES in PRINCE'S STREET.

To be SOLD by public roup in the Exchange Coffeehouse, on Wednesday the 18th January next, betwixt five and six o'clock afternoon,

The Lands of WILLOWYARDS, in the parish of Beith, and shire of Ayr, consisting of about 175 English acres of arable land, well inclosed and subdivided into fifteen fields, and let by one lease to three substantial tenants for 19 years at 150 l. per annum.

This farm is pleasantly situated along the side of Kilburn Loch, which abounds with pike and perch. It is within half a mile of Beith, a post and market town, where extensive manufactorys are carried on in silk, cotton, and linen. It is eight miles west of Paisley on the road to Irvine, and in the exact center between Paisley, Irvine, Kilmarnock, and Greenock.

Upon this property there is a good house, and garden stocked with fruit trees, an elegant court of offices newly erected.

A valuable Flag and Stone Quarry has been opened in the ground; and it is believed there are both coal and lime-stone in it, but both these articles are in such plenty, and so near indeed, that no essay has been made for them.

There are about ten acres of wood, and a good deal of timber on this farm; and thriving belts of planting surround the greatest part of it. The tenants are bound to preferve the planting and woods, which are fully felled.

There will be sold, at the same time, THREE STOREYS of the CORNER HOUSE situated at the east end of Prince's Street, New Town, Edinburgh, in three lots.

The first lot is occupied by Mr Spottiswood as a Carron warehouse, and by Mr Walker as a hotel. The second lot, under the above, is occupied by David Smith grocer, and Alexander Smith upholsterer. The third lot is the sunk storey, occupied by Mr Comb as an oyster-house: It consists of five rooms and a kitchen, besides cellars under the pavement, which will be divided amongst the purchasers of the different lots.

The title-deeds of these several subjects, and the articles of roup, are in the hands of James Buchan writer to the signet, who has power to conclude a private bargain previous to the day of sale.

LANDS IN AYRSHIRE.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 2d day of March 1786, at six o'clock in the evening,

THE LANDS and ESTATE of SMEITHSTON and others, lying in the parish of Tarbolton and shire of Ayr. The gross rent paid out of the estate at present is 373 l. 16s. 6d. 6-12ths Sterling, out of which there is paid to the minister of Tarbolton, who obtained decree of augmentation 2d July 1783, in all 22 l. 13s. 7d. Sterling, 20 bolls 2 firkins bear, and 4 bolls 1 firkin meal; but as two of the principal farms are let in pairs for three years, with an allowance to plough only a few acres, the rent of these farms may be considerably raised in letting leases for a longer term. The estate contains about 900 acres Scots measure, including about 92 acres of wood, which may be cut in the course of ten years; and there is a good garden, well stocked with nursery and young trees for planting, and a house possessed by the gardener, none of which are included in the rental. The estate lies between the thriving villages of Mauchline and Tarbolton, and within a few miles of the towns of Ayr and Kilmarnock, to all of which there are good roads. The situation of the estate is pleasant, part of it being bounded by the water of Mauchline, which is at a great distance from coal and lime-stone, which can be brought at a small expence, as the great road from Cumnock to Ayr by Mauchline goes through part of the estate. The lands are held by the Prince, and entitle the proprietor to two freehold qualifications. The tenants pay one half of the fees or land tax; the other half thereof, and the minister's stipend, are paid by the proprietor.

John Pollock at Woodside will shew the grounds.

For further particulars apply to John Ruffell, clerk to the signet, Edinburgh, who has the title-deeds and articles of sale.

N. B. Upon application to the said John Ruffell in Edinburgh, or to John Blake, Esq; in Essex-street, London, or to Joseph Sparks or Edward Shewell, Esqrs; at No. 118, Bishopsgate street within, London, a private bargain for the sale of the said lands may be made.

SALE OF LANDS IN ARGYLL-SHIRE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 1st day of March next, between five and six o'clock afternoon,

The extensive estates of DUNTRON, on Locherinan, and of OIR, on Lochween; lying about 23 miles south-west of Inverary, in the parishes of Kilmartin and North Knapdale, and shire of Argyll. The present free rent is upwards of 900 l. Sterling, and still improvable; of which that of Oir is better than 200 l. Sterling, and will be exposed separately in Lots, or together, as formerly advertised.

The tenants are thriving, the situation of the estate pleasant and convenient, the communication easy, the soil excellent, and the woods extensive and flourishing.

There is a commodious mansion-house with offices, pleasantly situated upon Locherinan, whence the Canal (an object now under the view of the Legislature) is intended to be executed across to Lochgilphead. The estate of Oir has also an excellent situation for a place of residence. A more complete and desirable property rarely appears in the market.</